

Public Services – Registration & Stamps Department – Certain allegations of misconduct in registering certain documents against Smt. M.V.Sudha Rani, former Sub Registrar, Kankipadu and 3 others – Departmental proceedings initiated – Common enquiry ordered – Regular Enquiry Officer appointed – Report submitted – Inquiring Authority report communicated to Charged Officers – Representations received – Imposition of penalty of three Annual Grade Increments with cumulative effect against Smt.M.V.Sudha Rani, former Sub Registrar, Kankipadu, Krishna District – orders – Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.340

<u>Dated:30-4-2015</u> Read the following:

- 1. C&IG, R&S, AP., Hyd. Lr.No.X2/16043/2009, dt:2-9-2010.
- 2. DIG, R&S, Vijayawada Procgs.No.X2/228/2009, dt:10-6-2010.
- 3. G.O.Rt.No.1421, Rev.Vig(VI) Deptt., dt:29-9-2010.
- 4. C&IG, R&S, AP., Hyd., Lr.No.X2/16043/2009, dt:3-11-2010.
- 5. G.O.Ms.No.7, Rev.Vig(VI) Deptt., dt:4-1-2011.
- 6. DIG, R&S, Vijayawada, Lr.No.E2/228/2009, dt:11-1-2012 along with REO report.
- 7. Govt., Memo.No.42269/Vig.VI(1)/2010-3, dt:17-2-2012.
- 8. Representation of Smt. M.V.Sudha Rani, former SR, Kankipadu dt:Nil received on 14-3-2012.
- 9. Govt., Memo.No.42269/Vig.VI(1)/2009-6, dt:6-9-2012.
- 10.DIG, R&S, Vijayawada Lr.No.X2/228/2009, dt:25-7-2013.
- 11.Govt., Lr.No.42269/Vig.II(1)/2010-11, dt:20-12-2014.
- 12.Secretary, APPSC Lr.No.90/RT/3/2015, dt:17-3-2015.

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ORDER:

Whereas, in the reference 2nd read above, the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Vijayawada had initiated departmental proceedings duly framing the following charges against Smt.M.V.Sudha Rani, former Sub Registrar, Kankipadu and 2 others on the allegations of grave misconduct in registering certain documents without prior permission of higher authorities and without levying proper stamp duty during the period from 16-01-2005 to 31-01-2007 at Sub Registrar Office, Kankipadu, Krishna District.

Charge-I

She has committed grave misconduct in as much as she, while discharging her duties as Sub Registrar, caused huge loss of Rs.4,25,150/- to the state exchequer by registering the documents with under valuation.

Charge-II

She has committed grave misconduct in as much as she, while discharging her duties as Sub Registrar, caused huge loss to the state exchequer by registering the documents with under valuation.

- 2. Government have ordered for a common enquiry since one of the Charged Officer retired from service and all the Charged Officers were involved in common irregularity in the reference 5th read above duly appointing District Registrar, Registration & Stamps, Vijayawada (East) as Inquiring Authority.
- 3. The Regular Enquiry Officer submitted the report and hold that the charges-I & II framed against Smt. M.V.Sudha Rani, former Sub Registrar, Kankipadu, Krishna District are held proved in the reference 6th read above.

- 4. Government after detailed examination of the matter have communicated Regular Enquiry Officer report to Smt. M.V.Sudha Rani, former Sub Registrar, Kankipadu and three others in the reference 7th read above.
- 5. Smt. M.V.Sudha Rani, former Sub Registrar, Kankipadu has submitted representation to Government stating that she had registered the documents with due care and caution, but, due to pressure of work only, certain errors of undervaluation could not be detected at the time of registration and also stated that which can be recovered under section 41-A of Indian Stamp Act, 1899 and requested the Government to drop further action in the matter in the reference 8th read above.
- 6. Government have examined the matter and requested the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Vijayawada to state, whether the huge amount of loss caused in the matter has been realized or not and if not state as to how the same is proposed to be realized in the reference 9th read above
- 7. In reply, the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Vijayawada has mainly stated among others that with regard to loss caused due to deficit stamp duty in respect of Smt.M.V.Sudha Rani, former Sub Registrar, Kankipadu, out of the total amount of deficit duty, an amount of Rs.5,46,780/-was collected and the balance amount of Rs.31,36,440/- is to be collected. The Deputy Inspector General has further stated that the District Registrar, Vijayawada East and the Sub Registrar, Kankipadu made several visits to the residences of some of the parties and some of them are promised to pay the deficit duty within short time. He has further stated that if the parties are not turned up for payment of deficit stamp duty, necessary steps will be taken under Revenue Recovery Act in the reference 10th read above.
- 8. Government after careful examination of the matter have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of stoppage of three annual grade increments with cumulative effect against Smt.M.V.Sudha Rani, former Sub Registrar, Sub Registrar Office, Kankipadu for the charges held proved.
- 9. In the reference 12th read above, the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission agreed with the proposal of the Government (copy enclosed).
- 10. Therefore, Government have decided and hereby order to impose a punishment of stoppage of three annual grade increments with cumulative effect against Smt.M.V.Sudha Rani, former Sub Registrar, Sub Registrar Office, Kankipadu, Krishna District.
- 11. The Director & Inspector General of Registration & Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad / Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Eluru / Vijayawada shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

J.C.SHARMA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (CT&EX) (FAC)

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The Director & Inspector General of Registration & Stamps, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Eluru / Vijayawada.

The Individual (w.e) (through the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps, Eluru with a request to serve the order and furnish the served copy with dated acknowledgement to Govt., for record).

Copy to:

The Secretary to the Vigilance Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh vigilance Commission, Hyderabad.

The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Hyderabad. SF / SC

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